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Letter dated 17 September 1999 from the Permanent Representative of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to forward to you herewith the text of a statement by the participants in the International Conference on the theme "Baltic and Black Sea Cooperation: To the Integrated Europe of the 21st Century Without Dividing Lines", held in Yalta, Ukraine, on 10 and 11 September 1999, on the initiative of the President of Ukraine, H.E. Mr. Leonid Kuchma.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly, under the item entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance".

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Annex

Statement by the participants in the International Conference on the theme "Baltic and Black Sea Cooperation: To the Integrated Europe of the 21st Century Without Dividing Lines"

Participants in the International Conference on the theme "Baltic and Black Sea Cooperation: To the Integrated Europe of the 21st Century Without Dividing Lines" declare their solidarity with the peoples of Turkey and Greece in connection with the tragedy which has struck their countries as a result of the earthquakes and express their sympathy to the families of those killed and injured.

Participants in the Conference note that all participating countries and the world community offered generous assistance to Turkey and Greece which are deeply grateful for this timely and material and moral support. They welcome the actions of Governments and peoples which rendered and continue to provide humanitarian assistance to the victims and appeal to all countries, international organizations and financial institutions to continue their relief efforts.